

ST. LOUIS BOOMERS ARE HERE IN FORCE

Delegation Backing the City's
Bid for the Republican Na-
tional Convention.

IS FACING OPPOSITION
OF THREE OTHER CITIES

Chicago, San Francisco and Phila-
delphia Active Competitors—G. O.
P. Committee to Meet Tuesday.

St. Louis' delegation of boomers arrived yesterday in force and immediately started in to lay plans to capture the republican national convention to follow the holding of the democratic convention in the Missouri metropolis. The boomers came full of hope, likely to blossom into confidence upon the slightest provocation.

Former Secretary of Commerce Charles Nagel headed the delegation, which included Mayor Henry W. Kiel, Richard Bartholdt, Cyrus P. Wallbridge, A. L. Shapleigh, Edward Hiden, president of the Business Men's Bank, Jacob L. Dabier, chairman of the state republican committee, Caspar Yost, editor of the Globe-Democrat, E. L. Morse, John Schnoll, chairman of the republican city committee, C. A. Buder, president of the St. Louis Times, Col. Walter L. Dickey, Kansas City, G. M. Nierlinghaus, national committeeman; Walter Hill, president Mechanics American National Bank; Nathan Frank, Edward Whitaker, president Boatmen's Bank; Otto Stifel and J. A. Lewis.

The national committee meets Tuesday, but committeemen are slow in coming in. Chairman Hill is expected this evening. Secretary Reynolds is here. Col. William F. Stone of Baltimore, sergeant-at-arms, will be on the bright and early Monday morning to make everybody comfortable.

Three Other Cities Competing.

Chicago, San Francisco and Philadelphia boomers will arrive during the day. Reports current yesterday that Chicago does not have a "walk over," as that city has confidently predicted all along, led to renewed efforts upon the part of the other claimants. How these reports started is not known. It was "in the air," however, that some of the national committeemen feel that the atmosphere of Chicago is hostile to the regular republican party and they fear the convention may be held in unfriendly territory if carried to Chicago. This was denied by Chicagoans, but the germ of doubt had been planted by the report, and the other cities were busily nourishing and propagating it. The first object of the rivals was to kill off the supposed favorite suitor and trust to luck each for himself in the after.

Differing in one respect from the meeting of the democratic national committee, the republican gathering is fraught with much greater political significance. Talk about candidates and about the convention will outgrow in interest the selection of the convention city.

Wide Discussion Expected.

While it is not expected that the meeting will be productive of definite result in that connection, undoubtedly there will be wide discussion of candidates in the private conferences of the leaders. The campaign will soon be on for the selection of delegates, some of the state primaries coming as early as March, with quite a number in April and May.

A very interesting report was current yesterday, and that was that the New York republican leaders are thinking of holding a state convention prior to the primaries, to select delegates to stand at the primaries for delegates to the national convention. Such action would not be binding, of course, as any one can go on the ballot, but it would be in the nature of "making for the choosing of dependable delegates," it was said.

Discussing the national convention itself, politicians pointed out that the 1916 assembling will be essentially different from previous ones on account of the selection of more than a majority of the delegates by the primaries.

Eliminates the Steam Roller.

This will mean, for one thing—and

a very important consideration—that there will be no occasion for "steam-roller" work in advance of the convention. That is to say, the national committee will not pass upon many contests, and will be barred from making up the temporary roll of a majority of the convention.

The delegates from the primary states will come with their certificates of election from the secretary of state of their commonwealth, and the national committee cannot "go behind the returns"; the delegates will go on the temporary roll at once. The national committee will have jurisdiction in states which use the old system of state conventions to settle contests if any are brought.

LEAGUE TO START PLAY.

Noel House Basket Ball Circuit
Opens Tomorrow.

The Noel House Basket Ball League will get started tomorrow night, when two games will be played. The players in the league are members of the different clubs connected with the house. While there is no average weight to be considered for the players, their ability and knowledge of the game are about equal. Of course, there are a few very good players, but they do not all belong to the same team. The league will be composed of six clubs, and they have all been practicing hard for the past month preparing for the opening games. Sixty games are to be played, each team playing the other twice. The schedule for December follows:

December 12, Royals vs. Americans, Federal 24 vs. Eagles; 14, Carleys vs. Royals, Rosedale vs. Eagles, Americans vs. Federal 24, 15, Eagles vs. Rosedale; 20, Royals vs. Eagles; 21, Carleys vs. Federal 21, Americans vs. Eagles, Rosedale vs. Carleys. The home team is the first named in each instance.

RIFLE ASSOCIATION PLANS

Will Try to Organize Clubs in Government Departments and the Universities.

Plans are afoot to organize rifle clubs in the government departments in Washington, as well as in the universities, according to an announcement last night of the National Rifle Association of America. The association now is equipping its new indoor rifle range in the basement of the government building at 15th and E streets northwest, which will become a regular shooting academy. The range will be used by all clubs affiliated with the organization.

The District of Columbia Rifle Association and the Washington Rifle Association have entered teams in the national intercity gallery competition, which is soon to begin and in which seventy-two clubs, representing practically all the prominent cities of the United States, will compete for small-bore supremacy. The War Department gives a trophy for this competition, which is shot under the auspices of the National Rifle Association.

The formal opening of the academy, it is also announced, will take place in about two weeks, when there will be seen a large gathering of prominent army, navy, marine corps and civilian riflemen to inaugurate the movement to put rifle training in the District of Columbia within reach of every one interested.

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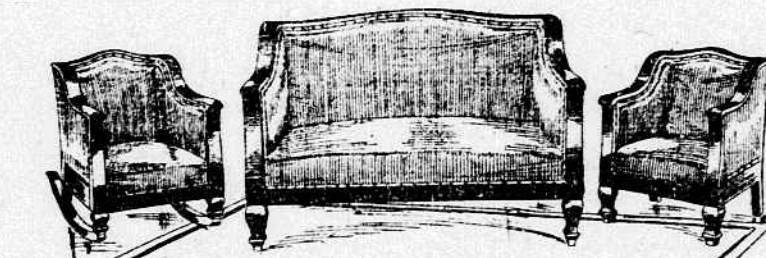
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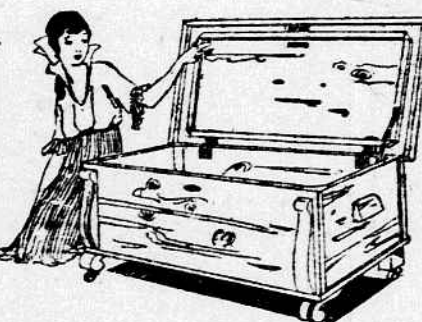
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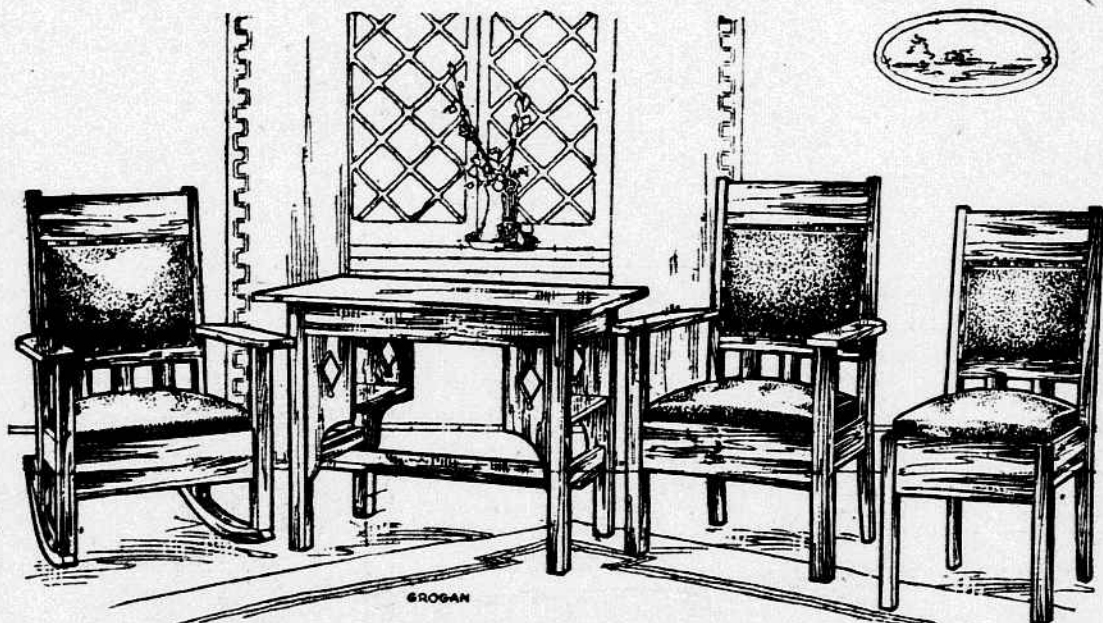
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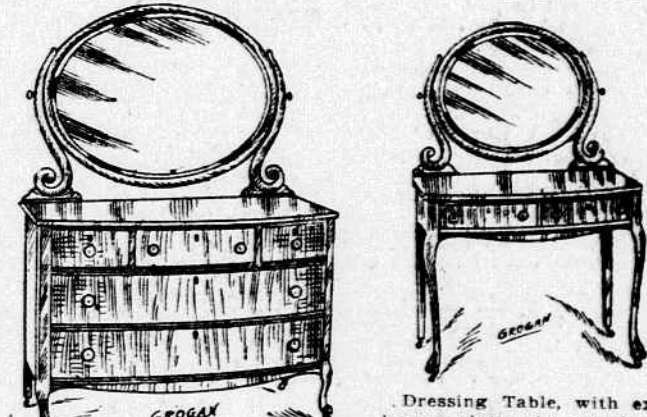
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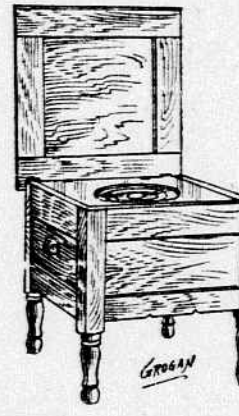
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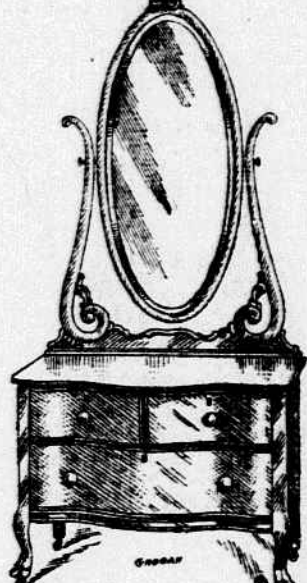
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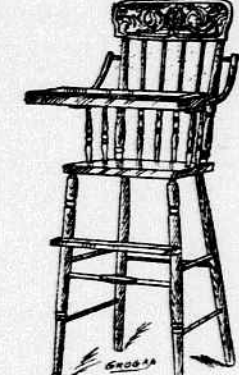
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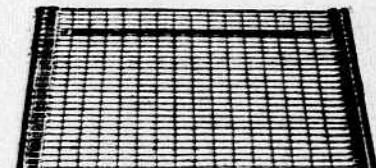
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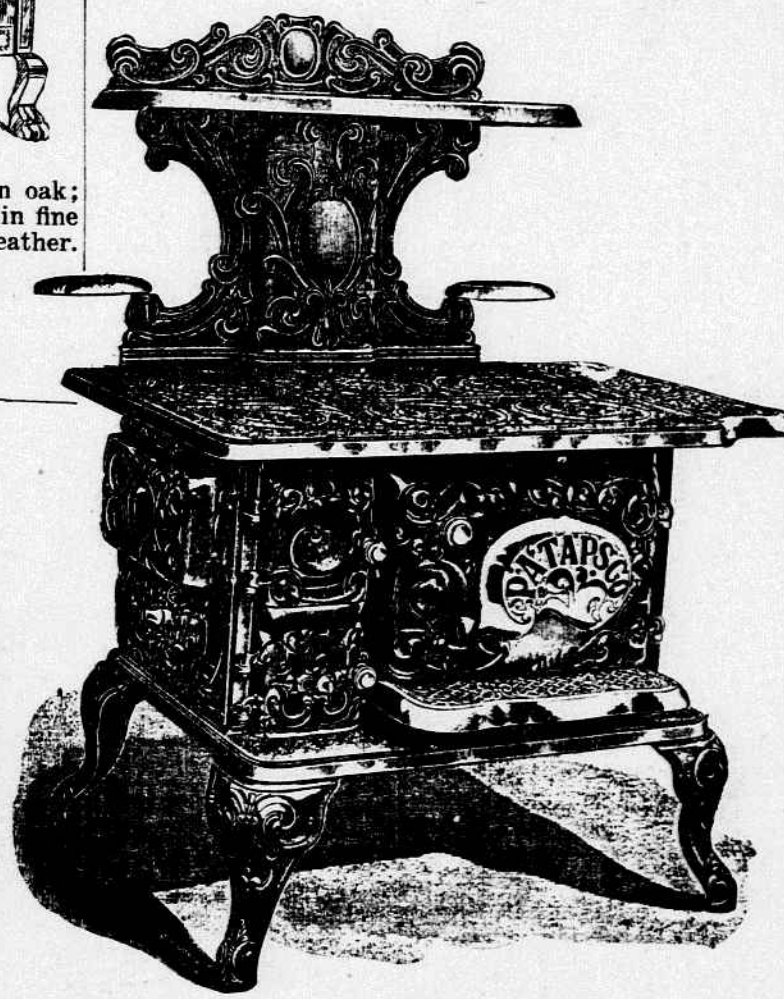
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